

# Somerset County



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# Alan and Son Car Care Center

988 Route 202 South

Branchburg Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 44      **LOT:** 39

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Auto Repair  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 0.3 Acre

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

Potable Water

Soil

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

Volatile Organic Compounds

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Treating

Suspected

## FUNDING SOURCES

1986 Bond Fund

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$117,000

\$40,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

This auto repair facility is located in the Ground Water Impact Area (GWIA) of the Route 202 Ground Water Contamination area. Routine sampling conducted by the property owner in 1991 revealed that an on-site potable well was contaminated with gasoline-related compounds. NJDEP installed a Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration system on the well so that it could continue to be used as a source of potable water. In 1994, gasoline odors were reportedly detected in the adjacent storm sewers and gasoline product was observed in a nearby stream. NJDEP subsequently learned that a check valve on underground gasoline tank piping at the site had malfunctioned and may have contaminated the subsurface soil. The property owner repaired the check valve and conducted some remedial investigation work. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation began a Remedial Investigation (RI) to determine the extent of the contamination in the soil and ground water at the site in 1997. The soil and ground water sampling phase of the RI is scheduled to begin in 2001.

## PROJECT NAME

## RI/RAS

## DESIGN

## CONSTR

## O&M

Sitewide

|  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|

☐ Planned

☒ Underway

☐ Completed

☐ Not Required

# Brook Industrial Park

100 West Main Street

Bound Brook Borough

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 1      **LOT:** 34

**CATEGORY:** Superfund  
Federal Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Industrial Park  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 4.5 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Industrial

| <b>MEDIA AFFECTED</b> | <b>CONTAMINANTS</b>  | <b>STATUS</b>         |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Ground Water          | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Pesticides<br>Metals           | Delineated            |
| Soil                  | Pesticides<br>Dioxin<br>Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Metals | Capped/Delineated     |
| Surface Water         | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Pesticides<br>Metals           | Levels Not of Concern |
| Sediments             | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Pesticides<br>Metals           | Levels Not of Concern |
| Structures            | Pesticides<br>Metals   | Delineated            |

## **FUNDING SOURCES**

Superfund

## **AMOUNT AUTHORIZED**

\$11,438,000

## **SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:**

Brook Industrial Park is a complex of warehouses and industries located on the northern bank of the Raritan River in Bound Brook. Chemical and pesticide production and storage operations occurred at the park between 1971 and 1982, when Blue Spruce International occupied a number of the buildings. The current occupants of the Brook Industrial Park consist of a manufacturer of steel products, a manufacturer of plastic products, a manufacturer of specialty chemicals, a metal plating company and an equipment contractor. The Middlebrook Regional Health Commission and NJDEP began an investigation of the industrial park in 1980, after workers at one of the facilities reportedly became ill. Subsequent sampling revealed that the soil, ground water and surface water at the park were contaminated with pesticides, volatile organic compounds and heavy metals. The sampling also revealed that elevated levels of dioxin were present in the soil near the former Blue Spruce building. USEPA covered the dioxin-contaminated soil with an asphalt cap during an emergency response action in 1983.

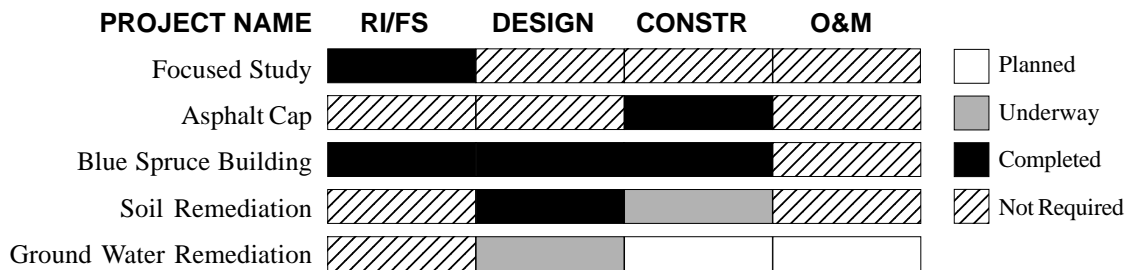
In 1989, USEPA added the site to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites (NPL) and began a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the nature and extent of the contamination and evaluate cleanup alternatives. Based on the findings of the RI/FS, USEPA determined that soil, ground water and the building interior at the Blue Spruce facility were contaminated with a variety of compounds and heavy metals and a subsurface pit at another facility at the industrial park was contaminated with heavy metals, volatile organic compounds and inorganic compounds. The RI/FS also revealed that the surface water and sediments of the Raritan River were not significantly contaminated due to this site.

In 1994, after completing the RI/FS, USEPA issued a Record of Decision (ROD) with NJDEP concurrence that required excavation and off-site disposal of an estimated 5,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil and materials from the subsurface pits, demolition and off-site disposal of dioxin-contaminated materials from the Blue Spruce building and installation of an on-site remediation system to extract and treat the contaminated ground water. However, the site demolition and Remedial

# Brook Industrial Park

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Designs for the soil removal and ground water remediation systems were delayed due to federal funding restrictions. The first phase of the site cleanup, demolition of the Blue Spruce building, was completed in 1999. USEPA began excavating the contaminated soil in 2000 and expects to complete the soil removal project in 2001. The Remedial Design for the ground water remediation system is underway and scheduled to be completed in 2001. Security fencing is in place to prevent people from coming in contact with hazardous areas of the industrial park while the Remedial Design and cleanup work are in progress.



# Elm Avenue & 9th Street Ground Water Contamination

Elm Avenue and 9th Street      Warren Township      Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various    **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES









Spill Fund

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$29,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Sampling conducted by the Warren Township Board of Health in 1992 identified 13 private potable wells in this area that were contaminated with volatile organic compounds at levels exceeding New Jersey Drinking Water Standards. The source of the contamination is unknown. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the contaminated wells later that year to provide potable water for the residents. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation subsequently completed a water supply alternatives analysis that concluded the most cost-effective long-term solution was the continued use of POET systems in the affected homes. NJDEP is monitoring and maintaining the POET systems to ensure the units continue to operate effectively. NJDEP is performing additional investigative work at this site to identify possible sources of the ground water contamination.

| PROJECT NAME             | RI/RAS  | DESIGN  | CONSTR  | O&M  |  |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS) |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Underway     |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Completed    |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Not Required |

# Federal Creosote Company

Valerie Drive and East Camplain Road

Manville Borough

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Superfund  
Federal Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Creosoting Facility  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Inactive

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 35 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Soil

Creosote

Delineated

## FUNDING SOURCES

Superfund

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$5,000,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

The Federal Creosote Company creosoted railroad ties and telephone poles at this site between 1910 and 1957. Various areas of the facility were later covered with fill and in 1965 construction of a 137-home residential development began at the site. In 1997, the Borough of Manville responded to a complaint that a sink hole had developed around a sewer pipe in the development. Excavation to repair the pipe revealed a black tar-like material in the soil that was identified as creosote. NJDEP and USEPA implemented a sampling program to evaluate the air quality inside the homes in the development, which showed that the creosote in the soil was not adversely affecting the indoor air. USEPA and NJDEP subsequently conducted a subsurface investigation that revealed that there were two lagoons, two drainage trenches and a drip area at the Federal Creosote facility that contained creosote and were covered with fill before the homes were built. In 1997, USEPA began a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study to determine the extent of the contamination in the soil and ground water at the site and evaluate cleanup alternatives. The former Federal Creosote Company facility was added to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites (NPL) in January 1999.

Based on the preliminary findings of the RI/FS, USEPA has divided the site into three Operable Units (OU). OU1 encompasses the former lagoon and canal areas of the facility, where high levels of creosote contamination are present in the soil. OU2 encompasses the areas of the residential development where the contaminant levels are lower but still exceed NJDEP's soil cleanup criteria. OU3 addresses contaminated soil outside the development at the Rustic Mall Area and the ground water at the site. In 1999, USEPA signed a Record of Decision (ROD) with NJDEP concurrence that required the excavation and off-site disposal of creosote-contaminated soil at OU1. USEPA has purchased 19 residences in these areas of the development and is removing the contaminated soil from the properties. USEPA issued a second ROD with NJDEP concurrence in 2000 that requires removal and off-site disposal of contaminated surface soil from OU2, and the Remedial Design for this work is underway. USEPA expects to complete a Focused Feasibility Study to identify remedial alternatives for OU3 in 2001.

| PROJECT NAME                           | RI/FS | DESIGN | CONSTR | O&M |                                       |
|--|-------|--------|--------|-----|---------------------------------------|
| Lagoon & Canal Area Soil Removal (OU1) |       |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned      |
| Development Soil (OU2)                 |       |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Underway     |
| Off-Site Soil & Ground Water (OU3)     |       |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Completed    |
|  |       |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required |

# Glenwood Terrace Ground Water Contamination

**Glenwood Terrace**

**Bridgewater Township**

**Somerset County**

**BLOCKS:** Various **LOTS:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Alternate Water Supply  
Provided

## FUNDING SOURCES











1986 Bond Fund

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$506,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Sampling conducted by the Bridgewater Township Health Department in 1991 identified seven private potable wells in this area that were contaminated with volatile organic compounds at levels exceeding New Jersey Drinking Water Standards. The source of the contamination is unknown. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the contaminated wells as an interim measure to provide potable water for the residents. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation delineated a Ground Water Impact Area (GWIA), which included the properties with contaminated wells and those with wells at risk of becoming contaminated, and conducted a water supply alternatives analysis to evaluate long-term solutions to provide potable water to the area. NJDEP concluded based on the water supply alternatives analysis that the most cost-effective long-term solution was to extend public water lines to the GWIA. The local water company and Bridgewater Township installed the water lines, connected the residences and sealed the private wells in the GWIA in 1998 using funds provided by NJDEP.

| PROJECT NAME             | RI/RAS  | DESIGN  | CONSTR  | O&M  |  |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS) |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Water Line               |  |   |   |  |  Underway     |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Completed    |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Not Required |



# Higgins Disposal Services Incorporated

121 Laurel Avenue

Franklin Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 5      **LOT:** 171

**CATEGORY:** Superfund  
Federal Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Illegal Dump  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Inactive

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 38 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Agricultural/Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

## CONTAMINANTS

## STATUS

Ground Water

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

Delineated

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Alternate Water Supply  
Provided

Soil

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Base Neutral Extractable Compounds  
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

Removed

## FUNDING SOURCES

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

Superfund

















\$2,714,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Higgins Disposal Services operated a waste disposal facility at this site from the 1950s to 1985. The facility consisted of a waste transfer station, a trash compactor and an unpermitted landfill containing approximately 16,000 cubic yards of solid wastes. Two residences and two businesses, the Hasty Acres Riding Club and a vehicle repair garage, currently occupy the property. In 1985, the local health department determined that several nearby private potable wells were contaminated with volatile organic compounds. Eight residents were restricted from using their wells and advised to install Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems in their homes. Sampling of on-site ground water monitor wells conducted in 1986 confirmed that the contamination in the potable wells was due to the Higgins Disposal site.

In 1990, USEPA added Higgins Disposal Services to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites and began a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the extent of the contamination and identify cleanup alternatives. During the RI/FS, USEPA identified several areas at the site where soil contamination and buried hazardous wastes were present. Between 1992 and 1996, USEPA removed 765 tons of PCB-contaminated soil from a riding ring used by the Hasty Acres Riding Club and excavated approximately 12,000 tons of contaminated soil and 7,000 containers, ranging in size from 40 milliliter glass vials to 55 gallon drums, from various other locations at the property.

In 1997, after completing the RI/FS, USEPA issued a Record of Decision that required installation of an on-site remediation system to extract and treat the contaminated ground water, extension of the public water line to 11 additional residences and no further action for the soil. While NJDEP concurred with the proposed ground water remedy, it did not concur with the no further action recommendation for the soil due to the presence of contamination at levels exceeding New Jersey's soil cleanup criteria. In 1999, a Potentially Responsible Party for the site removed the inactive landfill, excavated small areas of contaminated soil that exceeded NJDEP's cleanup standards and funded the installation of the public water line. USEPA plans to install a system to pump the contaminated ground water from this site to the ground water treatment system that is operating at the nearby Higgins Farm Superfund site.

| PROJECT NAME         | RI/FS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|----------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| EPA PCB Soil Removal |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| EPA Removal          |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
| Sitewide             |  |  |  |  |  Completed    |
|                      |   |   |  |   |  Not Required |

# Higgins Farm

Route 518

Franklin Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 5      **LOT:** 26.01

**CATEGORY:** Superfund  
Federal Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Illegal Dump  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Inactive

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 75 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Agricultural/Residential

| <b>MEDIA AFFECTED</b> | <b>CONTAMINANTS</b>  | <b>STATUS</b>                      |
|-----------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Ground Water          | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Metals            | Treating                           |
| Potable Water         | Volatile Organic Compounds   | Alternate Water Supply<br>Provided |
| Soil                  | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Dioxins<br>Metals | Removed                            |
| Surface Water         | Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Metals   | Levels Not of Concern              |
| Sediments             | Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds<br>Metals  | Levels Not of Concern              |

## FUNDING SOURCES

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Superfund      | \$14,935,000 |
| Spill Fund     | \$71,000     |
| 1981 Bond Fund | \$95,000     |
| 1986 Bond Fund | \$1,213,000  |

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

The Higgins Farm is an active cattle breeding farm. In the past, drums containing chemical wastes were buried at two areas of the property. The site became the subject of a NJDEP investigation in 1985 after elevated levels of chlorobenzene, a volatile organic compound, were discovered in a nearby potable well. A geophysical survey that was conducted as part of the investigation revealed that drums were buried at the northwest portion of the site approximately 40 yards from the contaminated well. In 1986, the property owner excavated approximately 50 drums of chemical wastes and visibly contaminated soil from this area. Later that year, NJDEP determined that three other potable wells in the area were also contaminated. NJDEP subsequently installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the four wells as an interim remedy to provide potable water for those residents.

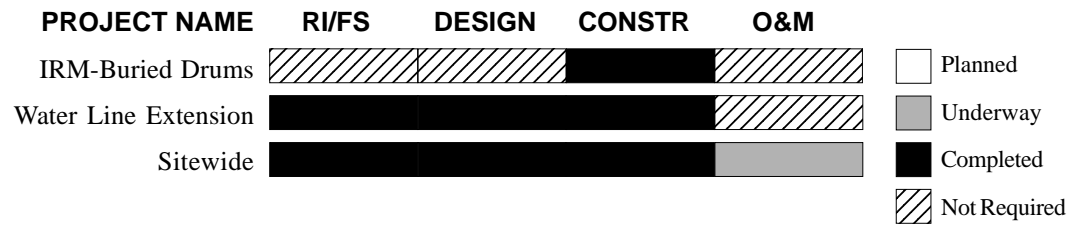
In 1989, USEPA added Higgins Farm to the National Priorities List of Superfund sites (NPL) and began a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the extent of the contamination and evaluate cleanup alternatives. In 1990, USEPA issued a Record of Decision (ROD) with NJDEP concurrence that required installation of a public water line to replace the contaminated potable wells and those wells that were at risk of becoming contaminated in the future. Twenty six residences were connected to the water line when it was completed in 1993. USEPA removed 94 buried drums and contaminated soil from an area separate from the previously discovered drum disposal area under an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) conducted in 1992.

Based on the findings of the RI/FS, USEPA determined that the ground water at the site was contaminated with various volatile organic compounds, including tetrachloroethylene and benzene, semi-volatile organic compounds and metals. The RI/FS also revealed that the soil at the property and the surface water and sediments in an on-site pond were not significantly

# Higgins Farm

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contaminated. In 1992, after completing the RI/FS, USEPA issued a second ROD for the site with NJDEP concurrence that required installation of an on-site remediation system to extract and treat the contaminated ground water, with discharge of the treated water to an existing pond on the property. USEPA completed construction of the ground water remediation system in 1997. The system is treating approximately 100,000 gallons of ground water per day and is expected to be in operation for approximately 20 years.



# McFarland's Service Station Bridgewater

555 Union Avenue West

Bridgewater Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 232

**LOT:** 36

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Gasoline Service Station/Car Wash  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 1.4 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Commercial/Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Delineating

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating/Alternate Water  
Supply Provided

Soil

Volatile Organic Compounds

Removed

## FUNDING SOURCES

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED


















\$150,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

This site, also known as McFarland's Pit Stop, operates as a gas station and car wash. The underground fuel storage tanks and associated piping at the site were repaired and upgraded several times between 1975 and 1992. Leaks from this system caused the soil and ground water to become heavily contaminated with gasoline. In the early 1990s, floating gasoline product and dissolved gasoline-related contaminants were found in on-site ground water monitor wells. The ground water contamination migrated off site, contaminating potable wells at nearby residences and businesses. Gasoline vapors were also detected in nearby sewer lines and two neighboring buildings.

Between 1996 and 1998, the gas station owner conducted several remedial actions under the oversight of NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks. These actions included installing an extraction system at the gas station to recover gasoline product and vapors from the ground water table and subsurface soil as well as excavating and disposing of three leaking underground storage tanks and 300 cubic yards of gasoline-contaminated soil. Twenty six properties with private drinking water wells that were determined to be contaminated with volatile organic compounds at levels above New Jersey Drinking Water Standards were connected to the public water line and a Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration unit was installed at a commercial facility where no water line was available.

In 1998, the site was transferred to NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation when private funds were no longer available to complete the cleanup. NJDEP is operating and maintaining the free product and vapor extraction system, monitoring the extent of the ground water plume and evaluating the effectiveness of the remedial actions. If the results of the ground water monitoring and evaluation indicate further measures are needed to address the on-site or off-site contamination, then appropriate remedial actions will be taken.

| PROJECT NAME                 | RI/RAS  | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Receptor Control (POET)      |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Free Product Recovery System |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
| Sitewide                     |  |  |  |  |  Completed    |
|                              |  |   |  |   |  Not Required |

# Montgomery Township Housing Development

Robin Drive, Route 206 and Sycamore Lane

Montgomery Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 29002    **LOT:** 22-36

**CATEGORY:** Superfund  
Federal Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Potable Well Contamination  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 77 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Delineated

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Alternate Water Supply  
Provided

## FUNDING SOURCES

Superfund

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED






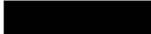
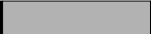





\$1,730,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

This site consists of approximately 77 private homes that were originally serviced by private potable wells. In 1978, trichloroethylene (TCE) contamination was found in the nearby Rocky Hill Municipal Well. The following year, private potable wells in the housing development were sampled and also found to have elevated levels of TCE. The source of the TCE contamination is believed to be a research facility on Route 518 in Montgomery Township.

USEPA placed the Montgomery Township Housing Development on the National Priorities List of Superfund sites in 1983. A Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) was initiated in 1986 to investigate this site along with the possibly related contamination at the Rocky Hill Municipal Well Superfund site. During the RI/FS, two Operable Units (OU) were established for the site. Provision of a public water supply for the residents was designated OU1 and remediation of the contaminated ground water was designated OU2.

In 1987, USEPA signed a Record of Decision (ROD) with NJDEP concurrence for OU1 that required the extension of public water lines into the Montgomery Township Housing Development. The majority of the residents had their homes connected to the water line between 1981 and 1990, but six residents chose not to connect. In 1988, USEPA issued a ROD with NJDEP concurrence for OU2 which required installation of a remediation system to extract and treat the contaminated ground water. The Remedial Design for the ground water remediation system was subsequently suspended due to an imminent settlement between USEPA and the Potentially Responsible Party. However, the negotiations were not successful and USEPA resumed work on the Remedial Design in 1999.

| PROJECT NAME                  | RI/FS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|-------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Receptor Control (Water Line) |    |  |  |  |  Planned  |
| Sitewide                      |    |  |  |  |  Underway |
|                               |  |   |  |   | Completed  |
|                               |  |   |  |   | Not Required   |

# Princeton Gamma Tech Incorporated

1026 Route 518

Montgomery Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 29002    **LOT:** 50

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Equipment Manufacturing  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 3 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

**MEDIA AFFECTED**  
Ground Water

**CONTAMINANTS**  
Volatile Organic Compounds

**STATUS**  
Confirmed

## **FUNDING SOURCES**

No Public Funds Authorized to Date

## **AMOUNT AUTHORIZED**

## **SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:**

Princeton Gamma Tech, Incorporated (PGT) has manufactured radar detection and laboratory analysis equipment at this facility since 1968. The facility is adjacent to the Montgomery Township Housing Development and Rocky Hill Municipal Well Superfund sites. A Remedial Investigation completed in 1988 for the Montgomery Township Housing Development and Rocky Hill Municipal Well sites concluded that PGT was the most likely source of the ground water contamination at those sites. An on-site septic tank is suspected as one source of the contamination. USEPA subsequently filed suit against PGT for cost recovery in connection with both the Montgomery Township Housing Development and Rocky Hill Municipal Well sites. All work at this site will be conducted as part of the Montgomery Township Housing Development and Rocky Hill Municipal Well Superfund sites.

# Rocky Hill Municipal Well

Washington Street

Rocky Hill Borough

Somerset County

BLOCK: 6 LOT: 1

CATEGORY: Superfund  
Federal Lead

TYPE OF FACILITY: Well Field  
OPERATION STATUS: Active

PROPERTY SIZE: 2.0 Acres

SURROUNDING LAND USE: Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Delineated

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES

Superfund



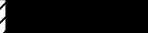




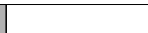
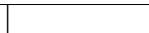



## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$1,707,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

The Rocky Hill Municipal Well supplies drinking water to approximately 1,000 residents of Rocky Hill Borough. In 1978, a Rutgers University study revealed that the well was contaminated with the volatile organic compound trichloroethylene (TCE). The source of the TCE contamination is believed to be a research facility on Route 518 in Montgomery Township. In 1983, USEPA placed the site on the National Priorities List of Superfund sites and the Borough installed an air stripper on the well to remove the contaminants from the water. Operation and maintenance of the stripper is being performed by the Borough.

Between 1986 and 1988, NJDEP conducted a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the nature and extent of the contamination and develop cleanup alternatives. This work was conducted jointly with the RI/FS for the Montgomery Township Housing Development Superfund site. In 1988, USEPA signed a Record of Decision (ROD) for the site with NJDEP concurrence that required installation of a remediation system to extract and treat the contaminated ground water. The Remedial Design of the ground water remediation system was subsequently suspended due to an imminent settlement between USEPA and the Potentially Responsible Party. However, the negotiations were not successful and USEPA resumed work on the Remedial Design in 1999.

| PROJECT NAME            | RI/FS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Potable Water Treatment |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Ground Water            |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
|                         |   |   |  |   |  Completed    |
|                         |   |   |  |   |  Not Required |

# Route 202 Corridor Ground Water Contamination

## Route 202                      Branchburg Township                      Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various    **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 1.5 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

| MEDIA AFFECTED | CONTAMINANTS               | STATUS                          |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Ground Water   | Volatile Organic Compounds | Confirmed                       |
| Potable Water  | Volatile Organic Compounds | Alternate Water Supply Provided |
| Soil           | Volatile Organic Compounds | Suspected                       |

### FUNDING SOURCES















### AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Spill Fund     | \$622,000 |
| 1986 Bond Fund | \$130,000 |

### SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

In 1991, the Branchburg Township Health Department determined that private potable wells at ten residential and commercial properties located along a mile stretch of Route 202 were contaminated with volatile organic compounds. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the contaminated wells later that year as an interim solution to provide potable water for the occupants. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation subsequently delineated a Ground Water Impact Area (GWIA) for the project that encompassed approximately 50 residential and commercial properties. Branchburg Township completed construction of a public water line to service those properties within the GWIA, as well as other properties in the general area, in 1997. NJDEP is providing Spill Fund monies to the Township for the portions of the water line that fall within the GWIA. NJDEP is also conducting potable well sampling around the perimeter of the GWIA to monitor the extent of the ground water contamination.

In 1997, NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation began Remedial Investigations (RI) at two sites in Branchburg Township where the ground water contamination may have originated. A third Potentially Responsible Party is conducting an investigation of his property under the supervision of NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks. An investigation of other potential contamination sources associated with the Route 202 Ground Water Contamination site is scheduled to begin in 2001.

| PROJECT NAME                  | RI/RAS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|-------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS)      |   |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Receptor Control (Water Line) |  |   |  |  |  Underway     |
| Source Investigation          |   |  |  |  |  Completed    |
|                               |  |   |  |   |  Not Required |



# Route 22 Petroleum

1070 & 1074 Route 22 East

Bridgewater Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 5304      **LOTS:** 2,3,4

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Private Potable Wells  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 0.5 Acre

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$45,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

In 1995, volatile organic compounds at levels exceeding New Jersey Drinking Water Standards were detected in private potable wells located at a residential and commercial property on Route 22. NJDEP subsequently identified two gasoline service stations in the area, Route 22 Petroleum (also known as Mr. Gas) and Carbo's Sunoco, as Potentially Responsible Parties for the contamination. NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks directed both of the Potentially Responsible Parties to address the contamination in the potable wells by installing Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems at the affected properties. The owner/operator of the Sunoco station installed POET systems on the two contaminated wells in response to the directive in 1997; however, sampling of the effluent water from the POET systems continued to show elevated levels of gasoline-related compounds.

In 1999, the potable well contamination case was transferred to NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation as an Immediate Environmental Concern (IEC). The Elizabethtown Water Company will install water lines to service the properties with contaminated private potable wells in 2001 using funds provided by NJDEP. The owner/operator of the Sunoco station and Route 22 Petroleum have contributed funds for the water line installation project. Investigation and cleanup of the two service stations is being conducted by the Potentially Responsible Parties under the supervision of the Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks.

| PROJECT NAME                  | RI/RAS | DESIGN | CONSTR | O&M |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|
| Receptor Control (Water Line) |        |        |        |     |

Planned

Underway

Completed

Not Required

# Shell Service Station Warren Township

2 Mount Bethel Road

Warren Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 89      **LOT:** 1.01

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Gasoline Service Station  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 0.5 Acre

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

Soil

Volatile Organic Compounds

Confirmed

## FUNDING SOURCES

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$65,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

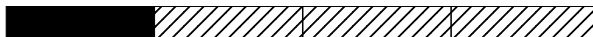
Contamination was first detected at this site in 1988, when gasoline vapors and gasoline-contaminated soil were encountered during the installation of service equipment. Shell Oil Company, a Potentially Responsible Party for the site, installed on-site ground water monitor wells to delineate the extent of the ground water contamination under the supervision of NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks (BUST). The site continued to operate as a Shell station until 1989, when all of the underground storage tanks and the above ground and subsurface equipment were removed. At that time, approximately 600 cubic yards of gasoline-contaminated soil were also excavated from the tank field and disposed of at an off-site location. The underground storage tanks and pumps were replaced with new equipment and a new operator began marketing another brand of gasoline in 1990. However, Shell Oil Company continued to monitor the ground water at the site under the oversight of NJDEP.

Over the next several years, Shell Oil Company installed several off-site ground water monitor wells to track the extent of the ground water plume. Ground water sampling conducted during this time indicated that the current operator of the service station may have also experienced a discharge of gasoline due to a subsurface leak. In 1996, BUST directed four Potentially Responsible Parties for the site, which included the current gasoline supplier, the former and current operators and the property owner, to investigate the extent of the on-site and off-site contamination, but they did not comply. NJDEP designated the off-site area an Immediate Environmental Concern (IEC) in 1998, after sampling of private potable wells near the service station revealed that one well was contaminated with volatile organic compounds above New Jersey Drinking Water Standards and another well exhibited lower levels of volatile organic contamination. Shell Oil installed Point-of Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the two wells with confirmed contamination to provide potable water for the residents.

In 2000, NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation completed an investigation that indicated a limited quantity of subsurface soil at the service station is contaminated with gasoline. The site is being referred to NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks to address the contamination in the soil and ground water. Shell Oil is monitoring and maintaining the two POET systems it had previously installed, and the Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation is periodically sampling other private potable wells in the immediate area to ensure they continue to meet Drinking Water Standards.

## PROJECT NAME      RI/RAS      DESIGN      CONSTR      O&M

Sitewide



Planned

Underway

Completed

Not Required

# Somerville Sanitary Landfill

Route 206 East

Somerville Borough

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 124      **LOT:** 1 & 21

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Sanitary Landfill  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Inactive

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 47 Acres

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Commercial/Industrial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

## CONTAMINANTS

## STATUS

Ground Water

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Metals

Confirmed

Soil

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Metals

Potential

Surface Water

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Metals

Potential

Sediments

Volatile Organic Compounds  
Metals

Potential

Air

Methane

Confirmed

## FUNDING SOURCES

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$15,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

The Borough of Somerville operated a sanitary landfill facility at this site from 1959 until 1984. It is located within the floodplain of the Raritan River and is separated into two sections by an intermittent stream. Although the exact size of the landfilled area is unknown, it is estimated to comprise 40 acres of the 47-acre property. Residential and commercial wastes, construction debris and possibly industrial wastes were deposited in the unlined landfill while it was in operation. The facility was closed after it reached capacity and NJDEP rejected a proposal from Somerville Borough to expand the landfill. Somerville Borough submitted a closure plan for the landfill that included installation of a clay cap, methane gas venting system, leachate collection system and storm water runoff controls in anticipation of constructing a shopping mall on the site. However, due to lack of a financial assurance plan for the project and the subsequent bankruptcy of the shopping mall developer, NJDEP did not approve the closure plan. Recent monitor well sampling results show that the ground water is contaminated with volatile organic compounds at levels exceeding New Jersey Ground Water Quality Standards. In addition, landfill debris has been noted protruding from the sides of the intermittent stream during recent inspections.

NJDEP's Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste has referred this site to the Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation to implement closure actions to prevent the release of greenhouse gases (i.e. methane) from the waste fill and mitigate the impact of landfill leachate on the environment. The Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation is currently reviewing the landfill's history and past sampling results to obtain preliminary information for the landfill closure project. NJDEP expects to begin the engineering design for the landfill closure in 2002.

## PROJECT NAME

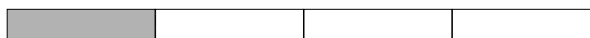
## RI/RAS

## DESIGN

## CONSTR

## O&M

Sitewide



 Planned

 Underway

 Completed

 Not Required

# Spring Lane Well Contamination

Spring Lane

Warren Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Delineating

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Alternate Water Supply  
Provided

## FUNDING SOURCES

Spill Fund  
1986 Bond Fund  
Corporate Business Tax















## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$822,000  
\$310,000  
\$400,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Elevated levels of volatile organic compounds were detected in water samples collected from private potable wells at eight residences in this area in 1992. The source of the contamination is unknown. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the eight wells as an interim measure to provide potable water for the residents. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation subsequently delineated a Ground Water Impact Area (GWIA) that encompassed the area where the contaminant plume was known to exist and the area where the plume was expected to migrate. In 1995, the Elizabethtown Water Company extended public water lines to the residences in the GWIA using funds provided by NJDEP.

In 1992, NJDEP began a Remedial Investigation and Remedial Action Selection (RI/RAS) to delineate the extent of the contamination, evaluate cleanup alternatives and identify possible sources of the contamination. The soil sampling phase of the RI was completed in 1998; however, based on the results NJDEP could not determine the source. NJDEP installed additional ground water monitor wells in the area in 2000 and is sampling the monitor wells to delineate the ground water contamination plume.

| PROJECT NAME                  | RI/RAS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR  | O&M   |  |
|-------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS)      |   |  |  |   |  Planned      |
| Receptor Control (Water Line) |  |   |   |  |  Underway     |
| Ground Water                  |   |  |  |   |  Completed    |
|                               |  |   |   |   |  Not Required |

# Sunoco Service Station Branchburg Township

954 Route 202 South

Branchburg Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** 44      **LOT:** 30

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Gasoline Service Station  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Active

**PROPERTY SIZE:** 0.25 Acre

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Delineating

Soil

Volatile Organic Compounds

Delineating

## FUNDING SOURCES

1986 Bond Fund

Corporate Business Tax

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$17,500

\$39,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Several leaking underground gasoline storage tanks and an underground waste oil storage tank contaminated the soil and ground water at this site. The owner removed the tanks between 1987 and 1995 but did not investigate the extent of the soil or ground water contamination or take any other remedial action. This site is located in the Ground Water Impact Area (GWIA) of the Route 202 Corridor Ground Water Contamination case. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation began a Remedial Investigation (RI) to determine the extent of the soil and ground water contamination in 1997. The on-site sampling phase of the RI is scheduled to begin in 2001.

| PROJECT NAME | RI/RAS | DESIGN | CONSTR | O&M |  |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|--|
| Sitewide     |        |        |        |     |  |
|              |        |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned             |
|              |        |        |        |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underway |
|              |        |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Completed           |
|              |        |        |        |     | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required        |

# Sunset Ridge Ground Water Contamination

Sunset Ridge

Bridgewater Township

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

## CONTAMINANTS

## STATUS

Ground Water

Chlordane

Confirmed

Potable Water

Chlordane

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

Spill Fund






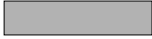






\$5,000

Corporate Business Tax

\$20,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

The Sunset Ridge is a residential development located adjacent to Route 202/206 in Bridgewater Township. Sampling conducted by the Bridgewater Health Department in June of 2000 identified five private potable wells in this area that were contaminated with Chlordane, a pesticide, at levels exceeding the New Jersey Drinking Water Standard for this compound. The source of the contamination is unknown. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the affected wells as an interim measure to provide potable water for the residents. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation began a Remedial Investigation (RI) in 2000 to determine the Currently Known Extent (CKE) of the potable well contamination. Sampling of other potable wells in the area that was conducted later that year as part of the RI did not reveal any additional wells that were contaminated with Chlordane or volatile organic compounds above Drinking Water Standards. NJDEP is monitoring and maintaining the POET systems at the five residences to ensure the units continue to operate effectively. NJDEP plans to perform additional investigative work at this site to identify possible sources of the contamination.

| PROJECT NAME             | RI/RAS  | DESIGN  | CONSTR  | O&M  |  |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS) |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Sitewide                 |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Completed    |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Not Required |

# Tysley Road Ground Water Contamination

Tysley Road

Bernardsville Borough

Somerset County

**BLOCK:** Various **LOT:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential/Commercial

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES

Spill Fund

Corporate Business Tax













## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$10,000

\$52,500

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Tysley Road in Bernardsville Borough is mainly serviced by public water lines, but some of its residents still rely on private potable wells for their drinking water supply. In 1998, during an investigation of two nearby service stations, NJDEP's Bureau of Underground Storage Tanks determined that two potable wells on Tysley Road were contaminated with the volatile organic compound tetrachloroethylene (also known as perchloroethylene, or PCE) at levels exceeding New Jersey Drinking Water Standards. Since the PCE is not suspected to have originated from either of the service stations, the potable well contamination case was referred to NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation for further investigation. NJDEP identified one other home in the area that was not connected to the public water supply and sampling of this well revealed similar contamination. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the contaminated wells as an interim remedy, and is providing funds to connect all of the affected homes to the public water line in 2001. NJDEP plans to conduct additional investigative work at this site to identify possible sources of the PCE contamination.

| PROJECT NAME                  | RI/RAS  | DESIGN  | CONSTR   | O&M   |  |
|-------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS)      |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Receptor Control (Water Line) |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
|                               |   |   |  |   |  Completed    |
|                               |   |   |  |   |  Not Required |

# Woods Road Ground Water Contamination

Woods Road

Hillsborough Township

Somerset County

**BLOCKS:** Various **LOTS:** Various

**CATEGORY:** Non-Superfund  
State Lead, IEC

**TYPE OF FACILITY:** Unknown Source  
**OPERATION STATUS:** Not Applicable

**PROPERTY SIZE:** Not Applicable

**SURROUNDING LAND USE:** Residential

## MEDIA AFFECTED

Ground Water

## CONTAMINANTS

Volatile Organic Compounds

## STATUS

Confirmed

Potable Water

Volatile Organic Compounds

Treating

## FUNDING SOURCES













Spill Fund

## AMOUNT AUTHORIZED

\$50,000

## SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

Sampling conducted by the Hillsborough Township Health Department in 1990 identified six private potable wells in this area that were contaminated with volatile organic compounds above New Jersey Drinking Water Standards. The source of the contamination is unknown. NJDEP installed Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) water filtration systems on the contaminated wells later that year to provide potable water for the residents. NJDEP's Division of Publicly Funded Site Remediation subsequently completed a water supply alternatives analysis that concluded the continued use of POET systems in the affected homes was the most cost-effective long-term solution. NJDEP is monitoring and maintaining the POET systems to ensure that the units continue to operate effectively. NJDEP plans to perform additional investigative work at this site to identify possible sources of the ground water contamination.

| PROJECT NAME             | R/RAS   | DESIGN  | CONSTR  | O&M  |  |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Receptor Control (POETS) |  |  |  |  |  Planned      |
| Sitewide                 |  |  |  |  |  Underway     |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Completed    |
|                          |   |   |   |  |  Not Required |